

Newsletter

American Criminal Justice Association
Lambda Alpha Epsilon

December 2015



2016 National Conference

Plans are underway for the 2016 (79th) National Conference to be held in Sacramento, CA, March 20 - 25, 2016. The theme of the 2016 National Conference is “**Understanding and Investigating Sexual Predators**” The Conference will be held at the Crowne Plaza Sacramento Northeast Hotel.

The Hotel is 14.5 miles from the Sacramento International Airport. The Hotel does not provide shuttle to/from the airport. Shuttle service to/from the airport is available from Super Shuttle at (800) 258-3826 or ONLINE at www.supershuttle.com.

The Hotel has 230 guest rooms and suites. The Hotel includes complimentary on-site parking, fitness center, and an outdoor pool and spa. The rooms feature complimentary high-speed wireless internet, hair dryers, iron/ironing boards, and coffee maker/tea service. **The Hotel is a 100% Non-Smoking Facility.**

The Hotel offers on-site dining at the Arbor Grille and Lounge. The restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

The room rate (single through quad) is **\$107.59/night (price includes tax)**. Room reservations must be made by **February 29, 2016** to avoid higher rates. To make reservations, please use the ONLINE link on our web site at www.acjalae.org.

The **Pre-registration Packet** are available on our web site. **The Pre-registration Packet is ONLY available ONLINE.** No packets will be mailed to individual members. The pre-registration fee for members is \$160; for guests, \$140 (**prepaid and post-marked by February 29, 2016**). Late and on-site registration for members is \$210; guests \$190 (after February 29th).

The **Firearms Competition** will be held at **The Gun Range**. Shooters **will not** be charged a range fee but ammunition for the competition **MUST** be purchased from the range. The current ammunition prices are listed on our web site. Also check the web site for the **Rules For Transporting and Using Firearms in California**. To participate in the Firearms Competition, members **MUST** sign a Statement of Competency that they have achieved a minimum score of 240 on the ACJA-LAE course of fire. **Standard National Competitions** information, including the course of fire for the Firearms Competition, is available from the National Office or on our web site at www.acjalae.org.

The **Physical Agility Competition** will be held at the Hotel. All participants **MUST** attend the Safety Meeting on Tuesday morning to sign waivers. (This meeting is mandatory. You will not be allowed to compete in the Firearms or Physical Agility competitions if you do not attend the Safety Meeting.)

The textbook reference books for the **Written Competitions** are also available on our web site. All written tests will be 75 multiple-choice questions. The 25th Annual Lip Sync / Talent Contest will be held on Wednesday, March 23rd.

Dr. Eric Hickey Ph.D. will be a Guest Speaker at the National Conference. Dr. Hickey currently is the Dean of the California School of Forensic Studies at Alliant International University and oversees the growth and development of the largest forensic studies program in the United States.

Additional training will be offered on Thursday for professionals and non-professionals. Some of the attractions in Sacramento include Old Sacramento, Sacramento History Museum, Sutter’s Fort State Historic Park, and the California Railroad Museum.

Region 1 is working hard to bring you five days of workshops, competitive events, guest speakers, and entertainment. Plan now to attend! If you have any questions at this time, please contact our 2016 Conference Director, Abby Schofield at aschfield@yahoo.com or Brian Meloy, 2016 Conference Coordinator at meloyb@saccountry.net.

Scholarship Competition

Members are encouraged to apply for the ACJA-LAE National Scholarship each year. Applications are available from the National Office or on our web site. The **ACJA-LAE Scholarship** is awarded in three categories: Graduate, Upper, and Lower Divisions.

To enter, members in good standing must complete an application and return it to the National Office. All applications must be **postmarked by December 31st of each year to be considered.**

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*Dedicated to professionalism
in the administration of justice
and public safety*



Chapters Chartered

With the help of the Regional Presidents and the Membership Committee, the Association continues to charter new chapters. The chapters that have been chartered since the last Newsletter in November 2013 include:

Delta Epsilon Alpha
Kaplan College
McAllen, TX

Phi Beta Delta Chi
Westwood College
Chicago, IL

Rho Chi
Rosemont College
Rosemont, PA

Nu Sigma Alpha (*recharter*)
University of North Carolina
Charlotte, NC

Delta (*recharter*)
Howard University
Washington, DC

Chi Sigma Iota
Saint Leo University
Saint Leo, FL

Kappa Alpha Sigma
Kaplan College
Sacramento, CA

Alpha Omega Chi (*recharter*)
Northwestern College
Chicago, IL

Beta Sigma Tau
Bryant & Stratton College
Wauwatosa, WI

Iota Lambda Chi Upsilon
Santa Barbara City College
Santa Barbara, CA

Alpha Lambda Omega
Bryant & Stratton College
Cleveland, OH

Theta Xi Phi
Ozarka College
Melbourne, AR

Gamma Alpha Epsilon
Collin College
McKinney, TX

Chi Sigma Sigma
Keiser University
Jacksonville, FL

Kappa Omega Psi
Colorado Technical University
Aurora, CO

Alpha Beta Psi
Baker College of Owosso
Owosso, MI

Psi Chi Alpha Zeta
Pima Community College
Tucson, AZ

Nu Iota
Brown Mackie College
Bedford, TX

Mu Chi Omicron (*recharter*)
Merritt College
Oakland, CA

Delta Psi
Colorado Technical University
Colorado Springs, CO

Delta Nu Psi
Lonestar College - University Park
Houston, TX

Student Paper Competition

Members are encouraged to apply for the ACJA/LAE Student Paper Competition. Applications are available from the National Office or on our web site.

The **Student Paper Competition** is awarded in three categories: Graduate, Upper, and Lower Divisions. To enter this Competition, members must complete an application and submit an original paper which deals with issues and problems in areas of criminology, law enforcement, juvenile justice, courts, corrections, prevention, planning and evaluation, career development, or education in the field of criminal justice. All applications must be **postmarked by December 31st of each year to be considered.**

Ron Pincomb Memorial Fund

If you are a professional planning to attend a National Conference in the future, members can apply for the Ron Pincomb Memorial Fund. The fund is made available to help deserving professional members attend National Conferences. The application is available online. See Standing Rule, Section R, Sub-section 4 for criteria for applying. Members send their completed forms to their Regional President by December 1st. Each Regional President will submit their nominee to receive the award by December 31st of each year.

Key Awards

As a member of ACJA/LAE, you are entitled to receive our **Scholastic Honor Awards**. In recognition of outstanding scholastic attainment in the field of the administration of criminal justice, Keys (a distinctive charm/pin with the ACJA/LAE logo) and a Certificate are awarded to members who exemplify themselves academically. Members who qualify can obtain their awards by submitting a Certified Grade transcript along with the **Scholastic Honor Awards Form** (available on our web site). Upon verification that the candidate meets the requirements for the Award, the Certificate and Key Emblem will be mailed to the recipient. The qualifications are as follows:

Graduate Keys—are awarded to those members who meet the requirements with a Graduate/Masters Degree. In order to qualify for a Graduate Key, a member's GPA average must be at least 3.5 on a scale of 4.0.

Gold Keys—are awarded to those members who meet the requirements with a Bachelors Degree. In order to qualify for a Gold Key, a member's GPA average must be at least 3.5 on a scale of 4.0.

Silver Keys—are awarded to those members who meet the requirements with an Associate Degree. In order to qualify for a Silver Key, a member's GPA average must be at least 3.5 on a scale of 4.0.

Robert E. Colbert
Alpha Alpha Alpha
St. Leo University

Graduate Key Awards

Jennifer Everhart
At-Large
Kaplan University

Timothy C. Healy
At-Large
Argosy University

William Litteral
At-Large
Liberty University

Bruce E. Locke
Sigma Phi Omega
University of Central Florida

Danielle Slaughter
At-Large
Kaplan University

Graduate Key Awards

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Karl B. Dunmore
At-Large
University of Cincinnati

Charles S. Pappert
Gamma Epsilon Delta
University of Central Missouri

Tony J. Thomas Sr.
Chi Sigma Upsilon
Columbia Southern University

James A. Douglas
At-Large
Kaplan University

James R. Quesenberry II
At-Large
Walden University

Emanuel D. Fortson
At-Large
Columbia Southern University

Farron A. Lomot
At-Large
Curry College

LaShanda E. Stevens
Alpha Lambda Omega

Gold Key Awards

University of Toledo

Shyrell D. Delair
Sigma Upsilon Omega
South University

Shelby L. Kitch
Iota Sigma
Indiana State University

Adrian L. Poland
At-Large
University of Phoenix

Rainelle S. Burno
Rho Chi
Rosemont College

Derrick J. Cline
Rho Chi
Rosemont College

John H. Gilbert
Rho Chi
Rosemont College

Lynn A. Costello
Rho Chi
Rosemont College

Susan P. Lardner
Xi Kappa Pi
Brown Mackie College

Gold Key Awards

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Rebecca Kolep
Xi Kappa Pi
Brown Mackie College

Cora J. Adams
Alpha Lambda Omega
Bryant & Stratton College

Rebecca R. Ogden
Alpha Kappa Omega
Lock Haven University

Tyler J. Ford
Kappa Omicron Rho
Peru State College

Janine B. Greaves
At-Large
Colorado Technical University

Cherelle R. Hunt
Rho Chi
Rosemont College

Terry L. Hardesty
Alpha Alpha Alpha
Saint Leo University

Arnold V. Alcantar
Chi Sigma Upsilon
Columbia Southern University

Jennifer Perez
Omega Delta
New Jersey City University

Sarah Jackson
Chi Sigma Upsilon
Columbia Southern University

Leanne Christian
At-Large
Northshore College

Sean M. Mead
Kappa Sigma Pi
ECPI University—Manassas

Silver Key Awards

Rainelle S. Burno
Rho Chi
Rosemont College

Joanne D. Neil Jackson
Rho Chi
Rosemont College

Silver Key Awards

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Cherelle R. Hunt
Rho Chi
Rosemont College

Frangel Martinez
Rho Chi
Rosemont College

Michael J. Torres
Xi Kappa Pi
Brown Mackie College

Lynn J. Timmons
At-Large
Rasmussen College

Janine B. Greaves
At-Large
Colorado Technical University

Sarah Jackson
Chi Sigma Upsilon
Columbia Southern University

Eric N. Daly
Rho Chi
ITT Technical Institute

Steven J. Yorlano
At-Large
Volunteer State Community College

Jennifer L. Dowler
Delta Iota Omega
West Virginia University-Parkersburg

Region 6 Conference Highlights

The Regional Conference was held October 15th to 18th in Macomb, IL. The Conference theme was “**CLUE: The Board Game and Criminal Investigations.**”

Firearms Competition



Region 5 Conference Highlights

During the Region 5 Conference which was held Oct 22nd through Oct 25th a new approach to speakers was utilized. Instead of setting up classroom lecture style speakers, the folks at the Huntsville City Police Department pulled out all stops. On the morning of the 23rd two buses showed up at the Conference hotel and all Conference attendees were transported to the HPD Academy. Upon arrival at the facility, the participants were divided into groups to visit the different stations that had been setup.

There were a number of stations and

demos for the participants to observe and participate in. Some of the activities included use of a VATS shooting training simulator, a driving simulator, a variety of K9 demonstrations, Explosive demo and the ability to watch entry teams from above as they entered and cleared their training house. Individuals who had the opportunity to attend session reported that this was one of the most interesting set of sessions that they had participated in. This session took approximately 4 hours and over 50 Conference attendees participated in the activities.

Upon completion, the Conference participants were returned to the hotel to

begin the competitions. Region 5 cannot thank the Huntsville Police Department and the Huntsville Airport Police enough for their “over the top” support of this Conference. The Airport police provided the range and physical agility course (which was the same course that all Alabama law enforcement officers must complete). The officers who assisted on the range and PT course came in on their days off to ensure that the Conference went off without a hitch. These efforts were greatly appreciated and no amount of thanks can convey our feelings for these two groups of professionals.

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Filing the E-Postcard

Do not forget to file the e-Postcard for your chapter by May 15, 2016. The e-Postcard has to be filed electronically (there is a direct link on our web site). Chapters should use the tax period of January 1st through December 31st of each year. The e-Postcard takes less than 5 minutes to complete. If your chapter has their Federal tax exempt status revoked because of failure to file the e-Postcard, the chapter cannot ask for non-profit tax donations and will have to pay Federal tax on any revenue received during the reporting year.

Furthermore, the chapter will have to reapply for tax-exempt status by filling out the appropriate IRS forms and paying the appropriate User Fee to have

their tax exempt status reinstated. It could take up to a year or more to get the chapter reinstated as a non-profit.

Please send your Chapter News and activities including chartering events, fundraising, social functions, etc. to the National Office for possible inclusion in the next Newsletter. If your chapter has a web or Facebook Page, please send the link to the National Office.

Richard McGrath Memorial Fund

If you are planning to attend a National Conference in the future, members can apply for the Richard McGrath Memorial Fund. The Fund is made available to help deserving student members attend National Conferences. The criteria for applying for these funds is outlined in Section R., Sub-section 3 of the Standing Rules which are available on our web site. The application is also available Online. The completed form must be sent to their Regional President by December 1st. Each Regional President will submit their nominee to receive the award by December 31st of each year.